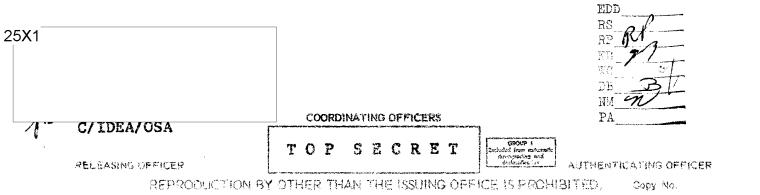


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JUSTIFICATION FOR COVERAGE OF TARGETS BY MISSION C585C

Monthly coverage of priority targets in South China, as well as weekly coverage of one-fourth of the priority targets, was directed by the United States Intelligence Board (1). The targets for South China coverage are shown on the map, page four. The latter been provided by COMOR⁽²⁾. Periodic coverage of the priority targets should provide the Intelligence Community with sufficient information concerning a possible increased Order of Battle in South China, from which the Intelligence Community could make a more accurate estimate of the Chicom posture and intentions relative to the Vietnam situation.

- (1) USIB-D-41.14/223 (2) COMOR (PWG-D-6/18-20

